Church, 8:30 a.m. For info: 634-6716/639-6770.

GOLDEN AGE CLUB — Senior Citizens

FIRST STEP — Narcotics Anonymous, Open Discussion, Chambers Park Red Log Building, 8 p.m.

Sam's

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Golf carts circled the lot offering rides to and from customers' cars.

"The parking lot is not as big as we generally build," Byrum said, "but we're pleased with the turnout."

"It's just kind of an adventure getting in the parking lot today," Micheal Rash, manager of Hasting's, said. "Our normal customers are having trouble getting in. After about a week, it's gonna be normal again."

Adding to the congestion were displays and a stage being built all day for the free concert performed by Ty Herndon and comedian Cledus T. Judd. Several hundred attended the evening performance.

Larwen Productions brought an aquarium/trailer, the "Hawg Trough VI," filled with 5,000 gallons of water stocked with largemouth bass for a fishing demonstration.

Inside the store, lines of customers waiting to check out were backed throughout the aisles. Most people were patient, according to some of those waiting, due to the many booths offering free samples of food and beverages.

"It's a nice store," Cheary Strube of Central said. "It's so crowded you can't really look, though."

Mrs. Strube and her mother had just entered the check-out line, with about 50 people ahead of them.

"I think I'm crazy for being here," Mrs. Strube said.

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- Federal, state, county or city government
- Financial institutions: Banks, qualified credit unions, savings and loans
- Insurance companies
- Scheduled airlines, bus lines and railroad companies
- Hospitals (health organizations that administer in-patient care)
- Public or private academic schools, colleges, universities, vocational and technical schools
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- McLanes Food associates
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